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H. R. 4155

To adjust the boundaries of Pisgah National Forest in McDowell County, North Carolina.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 13, 2007

Mr. Shuler (for himself and Mr. Etheridge) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Pisgah National Forest
- 5 Boundary Adjustment Act of 2007".
- 6 SEC. 2. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT, PISGAH NATIONAL FOR-
- 7 EST, NORTH CAROLINA.
- 8 (a) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—The boundaries of
- 9 Pisgah National Forest in McDowell County, North Caro-
- 10 lina, are hereby modified to include a parcel of land con-

- 1 sisting of approximately 335 acres, of which approximately
- 2 239 acres are owned by the United States and adminis-
- 3 tered by the Forest Service, as generally depicted on the
- 4 map entitled "Proposed Proclamation Boundary Change,
- 5 Grandfather Ranger District, Pisgah National Forest"
- 6 and more particularly delineated and described according
- 7 to the final boundary adjustment map and boundary de-
- 8 scription prepared by the Forest Service.
- 9 (b) AVAILABILITY AND CORRECTION.—The maps re-
- 10 ferred to in subsection (a) shall be on file and available
- 11 for public inspection in the Office of the Regional For-
- 12 ester, Atlanta, Georgia. The Secretary of Agriculture may
- 13 make minor corrections to the maps.
- 14 (c) Land Acquisition.—Subject to the appropria-
- 15 tion of funds to carry out this subsection and the consent
- 16 of the owner of the private land included within the bound-
- 17 aries of Pisgah National Forest by subsection (a), the Sec-
- 18 retary of Agriculture shall acquire the private land.
- 19 (d) Management of Acquired Land.—Any feder-
- 20 ally-owned lands that have been or hereafter may be ac-
- 21 quired for National Forest System purposes within the
- 22 boundaries of Pisgah National Forest, as modified by sub-
- 23 section (a), shall be managed as lands acquired under the
- 24 Act of March 1, 1911 (commonly known as the Weeks
- 25 Act), and in accordance with the other laws and regula-

- 1 tions pertaining to the National Forest System. Nothing
- 2 in this subsection shall limit the authority of the Secretary
- 3 of Agriculture to adjust the boundaries of Pisgah National
- 4 Forest pursuant to sections 10 and 11 of such Act (16
- 5 U.S.C. 519, 521).
- 6 (e) Relation to Land and Water Conservation
- 7 Fund Act.—For purposes of section 7 of the Land and
- 8 Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 460l-
- 9 9), the boundaries of Pisgah National Forest, as modified
- 10 by subsection (a), shall be considered to be boundaries of
- 11 Pisgah National Forest as of January 1, 1965.

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